

Selected Poetry.

The Death of Flowers. BY WILLIAM CULLEN BRYAN.

The melancholy days are come, The saddest of the year, Of wailing winds and naked woods, And meadows brown and scar.

The wind-flower and the violet, They perish'd long ago, And the briar-rose and the arches died, Amid the summer glow;

And now, when comes the calm, mild day, As still such days will come, To call the squirrel and the bee From out their winter home;

And then I think of one who in Her youthful beauty died, The fair, meek blossom that grew up And faded by its side;

Joys and Sorrows.

"Still where rosy pleasure leads See a kindred grief pursue— Behind the steps that misery treads Approaching comforts view."

Life is a continued succession of joys and sorrows, and journeying through a diversified land, successively meets with wearisome and delightful scenery;

Nor should one whose lot perchance for a time has seemed unpropitious, suffer himself to become the sport of fears and apprehensions that his life is to be made up wholly of sorrow.

In the chalice of life there seems not to be the same mixture for all. Here, an individual seems to be struggling through an incessant storm of ills—there, to be calmly at rest in a stormless and sunny clime.

Not Enumerated.—A wag has made up the following summary of what he calls the "Inalienable rights of Americans," and which are enumerated in the Declaration of Independence:

To know any trade or business without an apprentice or experience. To marry without regard to fortune state of health, position, or opinion of parents or friends.

Unhappiness in Families.

It is obvious to observant persons that almost all serious difficulties between married parties grow out of the most insignificant beginnings, that might have been swept out of existence at the outset.

In too many cases of marriage one party is apt to expect the other perfect. The husband looks for traits in his wife which he has long since despaired of ever discovering in himself; and the wife often calculates on finding a model in the character of her husband which is morally inconsistent with human nature.

More than half the little bickerings that constantly arise between husband and wife under the infirmities of human nature, would all die out of themselves or dry up like thin grass before the genial warmth of natural affection, if they were not studiously, but in a most mistaken manner, paraded before the attention of others.

The married state is by no means a state of perfect happiness. We must enter upon it resolved and expecting to have to "bear with one another's infirmities."

HINTS FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS.—A parent, in any station of life whatever, may and ought bestow half an hour, or an hour, every day, in instructing his children in the most useful of all knowledge.

INDUSTRY.—All exertion is in itself delightful, and active amusement seldom tires us. Helvetius owns that he could hardly listen to a concert for two hours, though he could play on an instrument all day long.

ABSENCE OF FEAR NOT ALWAYS A SIGN OF COURAGE.—Every passion becomes weak in proportion as it is familiar with its object. Evil must be considered as the object of fear; but the passion is excited only when the evil becomes probable; or, in other words, when we are in danger.

The Chemistry of Nature.

If we trace back the history of our world into those remote eras of which the early rocks are records, we shall discover that the same chemical laws were operating then which control the changes of matter now.

The atom of charcoal which floated in the corrupt atmosphere of the old volcanic ages, was absorbed into the leaf of a fern when the valleys became green and luxuriant; and there in its proper place, it received the sunlight and the dew, aiding to fling back to heaven a reflection of heaven's gold.

KINDNESS.—That there is stored up in every human breast a great deal more kindness than is ever spoken—a latent disposition, which is ready and often eager, to manifest itself on suitable occasions in generous sympathy for our fellows, and in kind actions, is a truth of easy and daily verification.

THE ROMAN SENTINEL.—When Pompeii was destroyed, there were many buried in the ruins of it, who were afterwards found in very different situations. There were some found who were in the streets, as if they had been attempting to make their escape.

A COMMON ENEMY.—The evils inseparably annexed to the present condition of man are so numerous and afflictive, that it has been, from age to age, the task of some to bewail, and of others to solace them; and he, therefore, will be in danger of seeing a common enemy, shall attempt to depreciate the few pleasures and felicities which nature has allowed us.

THE ANNUAL RESURRECTION.—As the day dies into night, so doth the summer into winter. The sap is said to descend into the root, and there it lies buried in the ground.

VIVID CONTRAST.—See the wrathful thunder cloud—the fiery bed of the lightning and hissing hail—the cradle of tempests and floods? What can be more dark, more dreary, more dreadful? Say, scoffing skeptic, is it capable of any beauty? You pronounce, 'no'.

THE CONTRAST.—There is a place on earth, where pure joys are unknown—from which politeness is banished, and has given place to selfishness, contradiction and half-veiled insults.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF DISSIPATION.—Those who see something charming in being "a buster," and delight in the fascinations of such draughts of bliss as milk punch, egg-nog, Tom-and-Jerry, port wine sangaree, etc., will think well, and possibly do well, by remembering the following "sad calamities" which attend upon the career of the "hard drinker."

GENIUS.—It is interesting to notice how some minds seem almost to create themselves springing up under every disadvantage, and working their solitary but irresistible way through a thousand obstacles.

A GREAT MAN.—A great man commonly disappoints those who visit him. They are on the look-out for his thundering and lightning, and he speaks about common things much like other people; nay, sometimes he may even be seen laughing. He proportions his exertions to his excitements; having been accustomed to converse with deep and lofty thoughts, it is not to be expected that he will flare or sparkle in ordinary chit-chat.

THE WIND.—Let me ask, who among us does not feel a sad sensation steal over them, as they hear, whistling through the surrounding trees and over the hill tops, and even through our dwellings, the sighing and mourning wind?

FLOWERS.—Among all the pleasant things of life—the all-bountiful hand of Providence, has scattered the path of our days with innumerable pleasant things, if man would but enjoy them—among all the pleasant things of life, there are few more pleasant than a walk in a flower garden before breakfast on a sunny morning.

BEAUTIFUL ALLUSION.—I remember once, says Lamartine, in allusion to his parents, to have seen the branch of a willow which had been torn by the tempest's hand from the parent trunk, float in the morning light upon the angry surges of the overflowing Saone.

MUSIC OF NATURE.—The universal disposition of human beings, from the cradle to the death-bed, to express their feeling in measured cadences, of sound and action proves that our bodies are constructed on musical principles.

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